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TAGS: SCUL, PO

SUBJECT: SMITHSONIAN FOLKLIFE FESTIVAL

REF: LISBON 2557

1. REFTEL VERY MUCH APPRECIATED. LOPES SERRADO LETTER TO SMITHSONIAN ALSO ADVISES THAT TWO GRUPOS FOLKLORICO HAD BEEN NAMED AND THAT DETAILS OF THEIR PROGRAM, INFORMATION ON GROUPS AND PHOTOGRAPHS WOULD FOLLOW.

2. REGRETTABLY THESE SELECTIONS SEEM COMPLETELY CONTRARY TO UNDERSTANDINGS REACHED WITH SERRADO, LOPES-GRACA AND GULBENKIAN FOUNDATION AS TO NATURE AND COMPOSITION OF GROUP TO REPRESENT PORTUGAL AT FESTIVAL. LETTER EN ROUTE TO SERRADO (COPIES TO POST, GULBENKIAN AND PORTUGUESE EMBASSY, WASHINGTON) REMINDS HIM OF TYPE OF PRESENTATION AGREED UPON AND ASKS FOR RECONSIDERATION, TO SELECT MORE AUTHENTIC FOLK ARTISTS WHO REPRESENT TRUE TRADITION-BEARERS.

3. SMITHSONIAN HOPES FOR LOPES-GRACA INVOLVEMENT WITH SELECTION AND ALSO FOR HIS ACCOMPANYING GROUP TO U.S. TO  
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EXPLAIN FOLK TRADITIONS BEING PRESENTED. WOULD APPRECIATE

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